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The reply filed on September 16, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): It is not seen how applicants' response to the 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph rejection of claim 40 has clarified or properly addressed the issue. Applicants' amendment fails to explain what constitutes a "desired viscosity and molecular weight". In the absence of clarification, it cannot be determined how the language is to further limit the claim. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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